

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

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Business Notices.

Entertainments.

CITY HALL.

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Popular Ballad Concert,

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By SIGNORINA BELINFANTE.

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AND

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports.....	Taiyuan (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 19, at 3 p.m.
Bremer & Ports of Cal.....	Prinz Heinrich (s).....	Norddeutscher Lloyd.....	March 3, at 9 a.m.
London, S. S. P. & Co.....	Vesta (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Feb. 26, at noon.
London and Hamburg.....	Singapore (s).....	H. K. W. & Co.....	Feb. 18, at noon.
London and Ports of Cal.....	Naruto (s).....	Arachid, Karberg & Co.....	About Feb. 22.
London, S. S. P. & Co.....	Rivanna (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Feb. 27, at noon.
London, S. S. P. & Co.....	Dionio (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	March 2.
London.....	Bombay (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	About March 5.
Manila.....	Tuenang (s).....	Shewan & Co.....	About March 20.
Manila.....	Galangian (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 17, at 5 p.m.
Manila.....	Port Adelaide (s).....	Messageries Maritimes.....	Feb. 19, at 10 a.m.
New York, S. S. Canal.....	Pera (s).....	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.....	Feb. 22, at noon.
S. Francisco, S. S. P. & Co.....	Optic (s).....	O. & G. S. S. Co.....	March 3, at noon.
San Francisco, S. S. P. & Co.....	Brookland (s).....	Shewan & Co.....	Quick despatch.
Shanghai.....	Nestor (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 10, daylight.
Shanghai and Obispo.....	Kwailin (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Feb. 19, at 3 p.m.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Formosa (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 19, at 3 p.m.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Dorothy Richman (s).....	Arachid, Karberg & Co.....	About Feb. 25.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Oceana (s).....	Siemens & Co.....	About March 3.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Catherine Apcar (s).....	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.....	Feb. 18, at 3 p.m.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Rehilla (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Feb. 19, at noon.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Haitan (s).....	Douglas Lapraik & Co.....	March 10, at noon.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Hakko (s).....	Nor. P. & S. S. Co.....	Feb. 16, daylight.
S'hai, N. K. K. & Co.....	Nauchang (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	February 24.
Tientsin.....	Empress of India (s).....	Canadian P. & O. Co.....	Feb. 19, at noon.
Vancouver (B. C.).....	Empress of India (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	February 22.
Yokohama and Kobe.....	Zeian (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	February 22.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Tenth Ordinary Annual General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, at Eleven a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1895.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 24th Instant (both days inclusive).

By Order, HART BUCK, Secretary.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

February 15—

Nanchang, British str., 1,600, E. Finlayson, 10th Feb. 9, and Chingling 10.

Rice and Gunter—Butterfield & Swire.

Piccola, German steamer, 825, E. Hess, Saigon February 9, Bremer & Co.

Frogner, Norwegian str., 710, Guliksen, Bangkok February 9, General. Ouden.

Sisban, British str., 845, A. Murphy, Ang-hin February 7, Rice—Bradley & Co.

DEPARTURES.

February 15—

Nanchang, for Canton.

Lyemoun, for Canton.

Formosa, for Amoy.

Insurty for Saigon.

Chang Hock Kien, for Amoy.

Chingling, for Shanghai.

Star, for Swatow.

Taiyang, for Canton.

Leikang, for Canton.

Nanchang, for Canton.

Kwang Lee, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Nestor, for Shanghai.

Daniel Barnes, for New York.

Cosmopol, for Swatow.

Mount Lebanon, for Kobe and Victoria.

Doit, for Saigon.

Sisban, for Swatow.

Rachnashire, for Nagasaki.

Triumph, for Hallow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For Frogner, from Bangkok, 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

For Chang Hock Kien, for Amoy, 409 Chinese.

For Formosa, for Amoy, Miss Alva.

For Frogner, for Swatow, 1 European, and 19 Chinese.

To DEPART.

For Cosmopol, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.

For Mount Lebanon, for Kobe, 12 Chinese.

For Doit, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.

For Rachnashire, for Nagasaki, 3 Europeans.

For Triumph, for Hallow, 80 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Nanchang reports: Left Wuhu at 9 a.m., 9th February, left Chingling at 5 p.m., 10th February, had fine weather, strong N.E. winds and high following sea, with rain yesterday, to port.

The German steamer Piccola reports: Had strong monsoon from N.E. to port. The British steamer Sisban reports: Left Ang-hin at 1 p.m., February 7th; and light variable wind and fine weather to Pulo Obi; thence to Padaran; moderate N.E. wind, sea and clear; thence to North and high head swell; thence to port, moderate strong N.E. gale, with dull overcast, rainy weather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close—

For CANTON—

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1896.

FRAUGHT WATERS' MURDER.

The weather for China New Year's Day was pleasant, and that of yesterday was such that it placed the success of the Boat Meeting in the balance.

That the N. Wind of today may dry up the quagmire in the Happy Valley, and so enable the Community of South China (with the North-China contingent) to enjoy the 1896 Jockey Club Meeting.

That I am glad to see the Northern community enjoying themselves, in spite of the execrable weather we have been able to give them, although I have a shrewd suspicion they have brought down this ultra-Febuary weather from the North.

That I fancy there is no talk about "Training Notes" and "Black Book" early purloins while the course is more like a quagmire than even Toole's road along the Queen's Road level.

That the best or hardest muck (for the best jockey) will probably win as formerly.

That the Chinese New Year may have something to do with the bad weather, as dull, leaden skies usually accompany the "King-ha-fai" period.

That I am amused at the conflicting accounts which are circulating about the Chinese calendar.

That the author of the "Hongkong Almanac" used to set this right, after communicating with the Inspector General of Customs at Peking, but I have not heard of any such authoritative reference this year.

That I deprecate the Chinese who get through the new year all the same, and as they generally avoid the Stamp Duty when they can, it will perhaps not matter so very much after all.

That I hear you newspaper people did not give enough credit to the fair Plaintiff in the last performance of "Trial by Jury."

That there is no question about it but that Mrs. Dalrymple was first-class, both in acting and in singing, and she fully deserved the unequalled ovation she received on the last repetition.

That the third performance will no doubt be an improvement even upon the two preceding ones, as practice makes perfection.

That we are greatly indebted to the A. D. O. for these recreative evenings, whatever any of the cynical gentlemen may say to the contrary.

That the Commission on the Tung-wah is a necessity which I pointed out some time since.

That it ought, I think, to be conducted in the presence of a representative of each of the Eastern and the Western Methods of Medicine and Surgery.

That, unless this is done, there will be an endless amount of cross-commission which will be far less effective than if Dr. Atkinson or Dr. Lawson (or the Tung-wah champions) were on the spot.

That it is no use assuming that the old style of thing can go on as it is.

That the shortcomings and dangers of that system have been proved to be too much for the safety of the Colony.

That the Commission has to see how the reform can be brought about in harmony with the constitution of the Tung-wah Corporation—slowly, of course—but effectively for the sake of humanity and for the safety of the community at large.

That I saw that Chinese dragon flag flying this morning on the hill above the Chinese Theatre, and I wondered why it was allowed.

That I am not aware that a Consul for China exists in this Colony, and therefore the flag should not be allowed.

That in some things we Britons are peculiar.

That in some matters of petty detail we are particularly careful, even to "flinches" and in other much more important matters we are unconsciously careless.

That it seems to me our Executive does not regard the Union Jack quite in the same way that I should do, in a Colony like this.

That Continental Powers have more freedom than perhaps they should have, or deserve to have, but as for Celestials, never a flag should be allowed to flutter if I had the regulation of affairs here.

That as you said last week, there are times and seasons in such matters.

That there never has been a time or season when the Canton authorities did not maintain that Hongkong was part of the great Chinese Empire.

That such an absurd assumption we could perhaps afford to laugh at, but now it is necessary to do more.

That, under all the circumstances, I am a little surprised that man like the Governor and the Colonial Secretary permit such fooling with the Queen's Sovereignty.

BROWNIE.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was held to-day in the City Hall. The Hon. A. Macdonald (Vice-Chairman) presided. There were also present—Hon. J. Bell-Irving, Messrs. M. D. Kzakiel, R. N. Gray, St. C. Michaelson, D. R. Sisson, N. A. Stiebs, R. Shawan (Directors), T. Jackson (Chief Manager), Hon. C. P. O'Connell, Hon. E. R. Bellios, Messrs. J. D. Humphreys, V. A. Clegg, Hawkins, C. Stewart, C. Palmer, C. S. Sharp, A. B. Johnston, F. N. Pith, R. T. Wright, O. M. Firth, C. J. Gossiaux, G. Murray Bain, Bruce Robertson, G. A. Tumes, H. Crawford, W. H. Ray, G. O. Cox, T. F. Hough, G. H. Poole, S. G. Bird, A. Sharp, Hart Buck, S. L. Darby, P. Jordan, Sachse, A. E. Coxon, J. Esakiel, W. Lyngsight, E. George, F. F. Raper, K. A. Ching, S. C. Gotta, S. S. Benjamin, Lau Wei Chuen, R. M. Moosa, E. Jones Hughes, W. S. Bamsay, J. R. Michael, Ho Fook, S. Hancock, D. D. Goudard, R. L. Richardson, W. H. Wallace, & Co.

Mr Jackson read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, before proceeding with the business of the meeting, I would like to express the very sincere sympathies of, I am sure, all here present, to our esteemed Chairman in the grave sorrow which has just fallen upon him, and which prevents his presence here to-day.

The report of the Directors was then read by the Chairman, after which,

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, Your Directors are again pleased to be able to lay before you a very satisfactory statement of the Bank's affairs to the 31st December.

The half-year, I am glad to say, has been almost entirely devoid of losses. You will represent a good percentage on the Bank's capital—amounting to a dividend of 2 1/2 per cent, and the credit of the Reserve Fund, and over three times of dollars being carried forward. The Directors would be very well satisfied if such results are repeated in the future.

As we are aware that we have been competitors at some of our branches, and Eschra go profits are much smaller than they formerly were. Still, so long as we retain the good-will of our friends in the Eastern trade, no matter what competition we may be subjected to, I have not the slightest doubt we will continue to give our shareholders handsome dividends on their investment, and I would like to hope that they will see the value of their property steadily increase.

The Directors aim at uniformity of dividend, and our present one of 2 1/2 per cent, at the change of 2 1/2 per cent, a Distribution of 18.75 per cent on the paid-up capital, the value of the company being valued at the 31st December, and it will continue to be, the value of the Bank to add to the Reserve Fund from half-year to half-year, as profits admit of such a course being pursued.

Gold and silver deposits combined show an increase upon what they were on the 31st of June last. The reduced rates we now pay for money will effect a considerable saving in future half-years. Like a good many other banks, we have recently had more money at our disposal than we could profitably employ. The value of our Sterling and Rupee securities held in London continues to increase, a re-valuation at about present prices would yield a very large amount, bills receivable alone being over 64 millions of dollars. This year 1895 was a good one for the Eastern trade generally, and we look forward hopefully to 1896 being equally favourable. Gentlemen, before closing these remarks, I am happy to inform you that the directors have secured the good services of Mr Thomas Jackson as Chief Manager for a further period of three years (applies), which will give him great satisfaction to the shareholders. I shall be glad to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask. (Applauds.)

No questions being asked, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and the passing of the accounts.

Mr O. S. Sharp said: For years past we have been accustomed to find material for pleasant reading in the Bank's Report and accounts, and on this fresh occasion we find we are not disappointed in our expectation, and I feel sure I am only expressing the views of my fellow-shareholders in offering our hearty congratulations to the Board, the management and staff generally for the high and satisfactory Report we now meet to discuss. We can also, with confidence, unite with you in the hopes you have just expressed for the future. I think to shareholders and the public generally the best augury for the Bank's continued success and prosperity will be the gratifying announcement that at least a few years more under the safe guidance of our popular and far-seeing Chief Pilot, Mr Jackson, to whose skill and good management the results now before us are so largely due (applauds). I feel I am only echoing the general desire when I say 'Long may he remain at the helm.' It is very encouraging to see that during the past six months the Bank has so well maintained its prosperous career, and I feel sure that it can seldom if ever have fallen to the lot of any of your predecessors in the chair to make the announcement that the Bank's business has been conducted almost devoid of losses.

For it is not probable to say this of an institution doing a business of the magnitude of this Bank not only speaks volumes as to the sound and satisfactory state of its affairs, but also speaks eloquently as to the careful lines on which the Bank's business is being conducted. That the Bank is so well appreciated by the public is shown by the high and steady confidence in which the Bank is held by its customers and the mercantile world at large. Not only have deposits increased, but in the hands of Loans, Bills Discounted and Bills Receivable, we see clear evidence of a considerable increase in the business. I believe with pleasure so much of the assets invested in Sterling and other readily convertible and high-class securities, and the more so that these investments have proved an lucrative that, if realised to-day, they would show a very handsome profit on their bank value and thus virtually form a second Reserve. With regard to the distribution of profits, I was glad to hear

from you the avowed just made of the Board's aim and policy, viz., the payment of fair dividends and the gradual addition to the Reserve each half-year, and so long as the Board adheres to this wise course I feel sure they may reckon with certainty on the approval and support of the shareholders. The strengthening of our position in view of actual and threatened further competition is now more necessary than ever. It is to be expected that with the money and for other reasons trade competition with the Far East may show some considerable expansion, and there may thus be room for some new competition in the field; but when it is remembered that this Bank has done in the past for Eastern trade, that the methods and liberality in its dealings with its customers are so well known and so widely appreciated, and that its position is now so strong and so secure, I feel sure that it need not fear the result of any competition, and that it may be trusted in the future to uphold the position it has so well maintained in the past. With these remarks, Mr Chairman, I have great pleasure in according the adoption of the Report and Accounts (applauds). Carried unanimously.

The Chairman—The next business is the re-election of Messrs Sisson, Gray, and Michaelson as Directors, and the election of Mr J. Shawan as a member of the Board.

Mr J. D. Humphreys—Mr Chairman and gentlemen, I beg to propose the re-election of Messrs D. R. Sisson, R. M. Gray, and St. C. Michaelson, and the confirmation of the appointment as Director of Mr J. Shawan, doing so, it is unnecessary to say anything in support of the motion, as the successful management of the Bank which through the past year has been so conducive not only to our interests but to the interests of the mercantile community at large, speaks for itself.

Mr A. Coxon—I beg to second Mr Humphreys's proposition.

The Chairman—The next business is the re-election of auditors.

Mr Jackson—I beg to propose the re-election of Messrs Henderson and Bird as Auditors.

Mr C. Palmer seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman—That is all the business before me, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance. The dividend warrants will be issued on Monday.

Mr A. B. Johnston—Before separating, I would like to join in giving a hearty vote of thanks to the Board of Directors, the Chief Manager, and Staff. I need not add anything to what has been so well expressed by Mr Sharp and Mr Humphreys, but merely ask you to join in giving a hearty vote of thanks, which I do with much pleasure. (Applauds.)

The Chairman—Mr Johnston and gentlemen, I thank you on behalf of my colleagues, the Directors, and Mr Jackson and the staff generally for your kind vote of thanks.

This concluded the proceedings.

A REMINISCENCE.

BY AN OLD FOGGY.

Of all the places in this wide world, life in Hongkong is perhaps the most kaleidoscopic in its nature. It is barely eighteen years since the first performance of "Trial by Jury" was given in this Colony; and how many of us remain who saw it, or took part in it? The shifts in the scene of life here are sometimes amazingly rapid, and when one looks back half a generation, the changes are so startling as to seem almost impossible.

On the 28th March, 1878, the Choral Society made a new departure and essayed to give the first and perhaps least ambitious of Gilbert and Sullivan's operettas, the effort was regarded as a little beyond the Society's powers. The result, however, proved these fears to be groundless, and a succession of similar performances followed year after year—given, not in the small theatre by the Club Lusitano, as at first, but in the larger house at the City Hall.

It may be interesting to recall the names of the cast of "Trial by Jury." It is almost impossible to remember the ladies, as they appear in the programme as Miss Polly Anthonis, Miss Mary Gould, Miss Rose Budd, and similarly modest names. The cast was—

Judge, Mr Coughtrie.
Defendant, Mr Duman.
Counsel for the Plaintiff, Mr Oxley.
Foreman of the Jury, Mr Wheeler.
Usher of the Court, Miss Belmont.
Birdsmaid, Miss Gould.
Gould, Miss No.
Lau Fung, Miss Fung.
Polly Anthonis, Miss Rose Budd.
Juryman, Messrs Spoonie, Soffie, Kratt, Smith, Bonkon, Nette, Over, head and Years.

Barriers, Attorneys, Spectators, &c., &c. To the above might be added the Junior Comed (Mr Blogg), after the model of an A.G.; the Clerk of Court (Mr D. R. Crawford), a perfect study of the present occupant of the seat below the Supreme Court gateway; and the Page Boy (Master Hall).

Mr Sangster conducted, and Messrs Beckett and Emory acted as accompanists; and the notices in the papers were of the most appreciative nature. It would scarcely be fair to compare the recent performance to the one of 1878, because the advantages of orchestra and, if anything, of better combination tell in favour of the present version. But an old foggy may be granted this remark, that the version of 1878 was not only very enjoyable, but the memory of it increased the enjoyment to him of this week's successful rendering.

The diagnosis assumed by the Jurors on the last occasion proved a source of great amusement, and they recall in a most vivid way the greatest success in this line in Hongkong—Bart's version of Governor Pope Hennessy as Sir Joseph Porter in the "Pinafore." It must be admitted that, introduced by the late Sir Pope Hennessy into all sections of Hongkong life made Bart's hit one of the most memorable in the dramatic history of the Colony. Few of the audience knew what was coming, and when Bart appeared with the gubernatorial strut to the life, there was a moment's pause. As soon, however, as the large and dense took in the situation, there went up a roar of applause which will not soon be forgotten by any one who heard it. For five minutes the applause was deafening, and it was renewed at every movement made by the actor. Bart had studied the Governor, and (as I have said) he was Sir P. Hennessy to the life. I am afraid the Governor never quite forgave Bart for the liberty taken. One more capital place of mimicry was got off by Coughtrie, at a performance of the A. D. C. (I forget which piece), when J. B. C. took off a leading resident who had been taking a prominent part at a public meeting—when I was in San Francisco.

Hongkong has been famous for amateur theatricals ever since the occupation of the Island. In 1844—just a couple of months before the first number of the China Mail was issued—the first Amateur Dramatic Corps was formed. This Society was composed principally of officers of the Garrison, and it was not until 1863 that an amalgamation was effected, and the old matinee Theatre Royal, which had fallen into utter disrepair, was afterwards put to rights, and reopened with a performance of "Bill Waters ran Deep." In this piece Charles Murray (son of the celebrated manager of the Edinburgh Theatre), Watmole, Coxon, Pooley, and Stratton, took a leading part. I remember also of a performance of "Aldrin, the Wonderful Scamp" in 1864, in the matinee theatre; but the only character which I can now recall was that of the Magician, taken by Henry Murray (brother of Charles) and afterwards D. G. M. of the Masonic fraternity in South China. Col. Twiss, R.A., Capt. Tanner, 99th, E. H. Pollard, and Hickson (of J. M. & Co.), flourished on our local stage at this time, followed later on by E. G. James, Coughtrie, Bart, W. S. Young, McG. Heston, Joe McLeod, Sandie Rodger, Charles-Holliday and Ridge-way—Charles Cohen acting as Hon. Sec. A. D. C. for a long period of years. Coming to nearer times other names occur to me—such as those of Keith Angus, Dan and Charlie Caldwell (the two best in "Zithri" I ever saw), little Lewis, J. Kennard, Davis, O.B.C. Herbert, Capt. Rumbury, Dan Conroy Forbes, and John Hazeland. In the still more modern days, the revival of the operetta was intimately associated with the names of Mrs Holland of her son Harry. Mrs. Colles, Mrs. Coughtrie (already mentioned), Mrs. Vaucher, Major and Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. MacArthur, Miss Withers, J. S. Brewer, T. G. Williamson, E. A. Menor and many others took part, whose names will doubtless be recalled by older residents. Burlesque had its day. When the "Field of the Cloth of Gold" was played, it was so elaborately staged that it took the A. D. C. a long and hard-working time to recover and get in funds again. This production, one of the almost Oriental lavishness by means of which J. M. Price nearly swamped the Society more than once. The School for Scandal! will never be forgotten by anybody here who saw it, and Price had it then all his own way. Coxon's Sir Peter at that time was one of the most powerful impressions I have seen on an amateur or any other stage. Profoundly of very good standing in London who are specially noted at Sir Peter did not please me so thoroughly well as did Mr Hooke on that occasion; but of course Atwell Coxon was undoubtedly one of the most experienced and able high comedians to be found anywhere. Mrs Ayres was the Lady Teazle, and Mrs Coxon took the part of Lady Sherwell.

But you will be tired of my garrulousness. Pantomime has also had its day, and successfully too, although everybody was anxious as to the result. Major Clayton deserves the credit of the first success, and to Mr E. W. Mitchell, the present tactful organiser, the later successes are mainly due.

HONGKONG CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY.

Yesterday evening, Union Church was packed with a large and appreciative audience, when a conversation was held by this Society to celebrate its first birthday. The Church was prettily decorated with flowers and ferns. One of the transcripts was set apart for an exhibition of curios lent by a member of the Society, and in the other was situated a refreshment buffet. The bright and comfortable appearance of the Church was in pleasant contrast to the miserable weather. Mr Inglis (the Secretary), in his report, gave a most interesting account of the progress of the society, the last six months of the year showing a marked improvement in the attendance at the weekly meetings and also in membership. Addresses were delivered by Mr D. R. Crawford, Mr Pitt, R.N., and Capt. Young, R.A. The arrangements for the highly successful meeting were under the capable management of Mr and Mrs Williams.

WINE—Cracky! What a pretty type-writer you have! Jinks—Pretty? She's angelic. Why, man, when that girl pops off an ordinary business letter on that daisy old machine in my office you'd think you were listening to a symphony from Beethoven.

Man Fourbly—My dear, you are giving away a great deal of money in one way or another. Some of these days you will get into the papers. Your picture will be printed at that of the pastor who gives away half of his salary in charity, and you will be bothered to death by people who want help. The Rev. Dr. Fourbly (drumming up another present for a parishioner)—I am not in any danger of sudden fame, my dear. I am not preaching heresy and no one has accused me of plagiarism.

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CRICKET.

HONGKONG C.C. V. UNITED SERVICES.

This match was commenced on the China New Year holiday and would have been concluded on Friday had it not been for the exceedingly unfavourable state of the weather. The Services occupied the wicket during the whole of Thursday, playing on in dull, cold, cheerless weather, and compiling 384 runs for the loss of six wickets.

Mr G. D. Campbell, of the Hongkong Regiment, played one of his best and most careful innings, and was not out at the end of the day with 156 runs to his credit. Rain fell intermittently, and the state of the ground and the handicapped the bowlers and fielders. The Services are, exceptionally strong at present, and it would afford much pleasure to see the match replayed.

Score—

UNITED SERVICES.
G. D. Campbell, H.K.R., not out..... 156
Surgeon Major Johnston, A.M.S., b 1
Lt Perry Ayscough, R.N., st. Arthur, b 87
R. G. Walling, a. Ambrose, b. Green, field 43
Capt. W. V. Eccles, R.B., b. Lawson, 44
Surgeon Pead, R.N., b. Lawson, 10
Capt. Dixon, A.P.D., b. W. Lawson, 6
H.M.C. Elliott, R.N., not out..... 21
Extras..... 21
Total..... 364

ALLIED JEWELLERY ROBERTS.

An extraordinary case of alleged robbery has been engaging the attention of the Police for a considerable time. Chan Sui Tung, one of the parties implicated in the robbery, and who formerly had been a lawyer's clerk in the city, has managed to elude the Police for over three months. On the 10th inst. he was handed over at Macao to the Police.

Information was given to the Police that on 6th November prisoner and another man and woman unknown to the Police were living in the Chung Fung Chan Boarding-house, and about ten o'clock in the evening the prisoner sent for a woman named Shan Tsat. When the woman arrived, dinner was ordered from an eating-house, and a glass of port was given to the woman prisoner. The prisoner then told her that the prisoner was good for her health. After drinking the port, she felt dazed and drowsy and prisoner told her to lie down and asleep her to the bed. At the same time, he gave her a nap of tea which she noticed was rather dark in colour. She appeared to be nearly unconscious, and when she awoke, she found her wrist and arm tied to the bed post with a rope. The prisoner then sat on the bed and spoke, and shortly afterwards she was overpowered by her. She collected nothing but the prisoner and the other man and woman had disappeared, and that her jewelry, bangles, rings, gold tooth-picks, to the value of \$250, along with some money were stolen. Information was sent to the Police, and a reward was offered for the recovery of the stolen goods. The prisoner was then taken to the Police, and was found the room occupied by her locked. On getting the door opened, he found the woman still partly under the influence of the drug, and talking in a silly fashion. By his instructions, the woman was sent to the Hospital. At the same time, the prisoner was taken to the Police, and was found the room occupied by her locked. On getting the door opened, he found the woman still partly under the influence of the drug, and talking in a silly fashion. By his instructions, the woman was sent to the Hospital. At the same time, the prisoner was taken to the Police, and was found the room occupied by her locked. 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The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 14th Idem, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, January 17, 1896. 216

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th February, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1895, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to 19th Idem, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 10, 1896. 329

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Poddie's Street, on THURSDAY, the 27th Proximo, at Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 2nd Proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, January 27, 1896. 217

A TERRIBLE COUGH.

"Dear Sir—I am a poor fellow at expressing my feelings, but I should like to tell you how your cough medicine has done wonders in relieving my terrible cough. Since I had the operation of 'Tracheotomy' (the name of the last operation of the kind) I have been unable to get rid of my cough. I have tried every remedy, but I have been able to get rid of it without difficulty. I am very grateful to you for your medicine."

A DOCTOR'S TESTIMONY.

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Shipping.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Yuenang*, Capt. W. WARDLOVE, will be despatched as above MONDAY, the 17th Instant, at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 14, 1896. 346

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.

The Steamship *Catharine*, Capt. J. G. OLIVER, will be despatched as above MONDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 12, 1896. 343

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Taiyuan*, Capt. R. NISSEN, will be despatched as above WEDNESDAY, the 19th Instant, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A fully-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1896. 330

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHEFOO.

The Steamship *Kiochin*, Capt. HAINES, will be despatched as above WEDNESDAY, the 19th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 342

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship *Tsuenan*, Capt. RAMSAY, will be despatched as above SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 12, 1896. 351

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

The Co.'s Steamship *Nerite*, Capt. W. DANTIS, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant.

To be followed by the Company's Steamship *Spondilus*, which will be for the above destination on THURSDAY, the 27th Instant.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1896. 303

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

The Steamship *Nanchang*, Capt. FINKHOFER, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 24th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 335

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Domed*, Capt. BARNES, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 334

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for loading Passengers if sufficient inducement offers.)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Domed*, Capt. BARNES, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 1, 1896. 357

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.L. British Ship *Brookfield*, Capt. FERGUSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 6, 1895. 377

Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, NEWPORT, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Delany*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 24th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon to day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1896. 353

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *RAUNOISIRE*, FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 17th Inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th Inst., at 3 p.m.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 12, 1896. 344

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Santa*, Captain J. Voss, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon to day.

Any Cargo impeding their discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 10, 1896. 325

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, SUZ, JEDDAH, SUAKIM, MASSAWAH, JOHEDDA, ADE, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Maria Teresa* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—From CALOUTTA, ex s.s. *Aligata*, transhipped at Colombo. From TRIESTE, ex s.s. *Imperator*, transhipped at BOMBAY. From VENICE, ex s.s. *Masiniello*, transhipped at TRIESTE. From TAIFA, ex s.s. *Formentor*, transhipped at TAIFA.

Optional Cargo will go to SHANGHAI, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon to-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 19th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 12, 1896. 346

FOR SALE.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's List

includes the following Works by Dr. RIEDEL:

EUROPE IN CHINA: The History of Hongkong, from the beginning of the year 1842 to the present time. 1895. 48.60.

HANDBOOK OF BUDDHISM: A Sanskrit-Chinese Dictionary. Second Edition. Hongkong, 1888. 92.50.

THREE LECTURES ON BUDDHISM. Third Edition. Hongkong, 1874. 91.50.

FENGSHUI. Rudiments of Chinese Fengshui. Hongkong, 1873. 22.00.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTON DIALECT. Four Volumes, with Appendix. Hongkong, 1877. 110.00.

CHINESE SCHOOLBOOKS. Translated. I. The "Thousand Years" Classic. II. The "Thousand Years" Classic. 80.50 per set. Hongkong, August 9, 1895. 14.6

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

BRISTOL CASTLE, British ship, Capt. R. M. Ferguson.—SheWAN & Co.

DARTER HAWES, American ship, Capt. C. O. Arps.—Master.

HIGHLAND STRATH, Bril. barque, Capt. Ramsay.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, JARSKILLEN, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

1896

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 19th Instant, at 10 a.m., the Company's S.S. *CALEDONIE*, Commandant L. Bazo, with

Section.
 7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
 8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
 9. From Kellott's Island to North Point.
 10. Kowloon Wharves.
 11. Jardine's Wharf.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian cruiser	4360	32	6000	Captain Elitchinoff	Kobe
Admiral Nakhimov	Russian flagship	7781	32	9000	Captain Katherichinoff	Nagasaki
Albatros	Austrian gunboat	650	2	750		on rails
Albatros	Russian gunboat	650	2	750	Captain Paremno	Vladivostok
Albatros	Russian gunboat	650	2	750	Captain Bonet	Poochow
Alger	French cruiser	4850	30	8000	Captain A. Sarnov	Amoy
Arcona	German cruiser	2170	18	2400	Commander Journe	Bangkok
Arctic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Fortin	Yokohama
Bayard	French flagship	6100	26	4400	Captain Ternet	Timon
Beaumont-Beaupre	French wooden sloop	1359	14	1000	Lt. Fodor d'Averedo Coudro	Chernulpo
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	1100	Captain Keviatky	Maui
Bubro	Russian sloop	8200	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Samula	Nagasaki
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	4040	22	6686	Capt. Coffin	Shanghai
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	495	4	500	Capt. Maudet	Poochow
Comete	French gunboat	1709	15	3400	Captain Craig	on rails
Concord	U. S. cruiser	2400	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newell	Manila
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	1210	4	1500	Commander R. P. de Banaure	Manila
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Captain Bayle	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	3635	19	4800	Captain Dolot	Nagasaki
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	2351	23	2750		Kobe
Edinburg	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500	Capt. Bouchard	Shanghai
Geminology	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1390	Capt. Lieut. Ingold	Hongkong
Ilus	German gunboat	400	4	340	Capt. Kuchin	Nagasaki
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian ironclad	8950	32	8000	Capt. von Drasky	Amoy
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Captain Rivet	Nagasaki
Italy	French cruiser	4380	22	8000	Captain Jasecho	Amoy
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	16	—	Capt. Lindstrom	Nagasaki
Kazoj	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Captain Brinkman	Amoy
Korowan	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Capt. Bekhtinoff	Nagasaki
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Lieutenant Griebel	Saigon
Lion	French gunboat	6	0	500	Lieut.-Com. Gueydon	Tientsin
Lotus	French sloop	4	0	400	Commander Heuston	Chernulpo
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1050	10	1600	Captain Yun gra	Manila
Mandarin	Spanish iron port	1057	2	1000	Commander Podlipsk	Nagasaki
Mandarin	Russian iron port	1200	9	1400	Com. Reisinger	Nagasaki
Monobay	U. S. sloop	1370	6	850	Captain J. V. Read	Nagasaki
Olympia	U. S. flagship	8600	14	13,600	Captain Berdit	Nagasaki
Oceany	Russian gunboat	1460	12	2000	Captain Rodinaff	Nagasaki
Pamlat Asova	Russian cruiser	6050	33	8000	Lt.-Com. Smory	Shanghai
Pozel	U. S. gunboat	84	6	550	Lieut.-Comander Vidal	Bangkok
Pravos	French sloop	245	8	450	Captain von Holtendorff	Hongkong
Prince Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Com'dor Jose Warila	Shanghai
Russia Orizaba	Spanish cruiser	3090	18	4600		Vladivostok
Rurik	Russian lat. clam cruiser	10,293	30	13,290	Captain Baranoff	Vladivostok
Silla'o	Russian gunboat	860	13	1120	Captain Antonoff	Nanking
Sirochot	Russian gunboat	9100	14	2140	Captain Herbig	Saigon
Sophle	German cruiser	4667	21	2440		Bangkok
Thompson	French cruiser	180	4	425	Captain J. R. Bouchard	Hongkong
Vladimir Monomach	Russian ironclad	5600	34	7000	Commander Sazonoff	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	16	3600	Captain Dombrowski	Poochow
Zabinka	Russian cruiser	1490	12	1470		

"Dr. Jiu," is not the only member of the Janssens family in South Africa. A brother of him is the manager of the Oceana Company of Johannesburg, and his employee, Dr. Johannes Janssens, the Streatham—is engaged in mining operations on the Rand. The Streatham doctor describes his brother as a proud and reserved man, who did not like to take his family into his confidence in any way, but he would not have been the last to allow any interference on their part. He saw his brother when, in January last, the latter was over here with Mr. Rhodes. A letter was received from him, and he was very cordial with family affairs, and did not allude to any prospective expedition in the Transvaal. Again on Saturday a letter was received from young Janssens, the son of the Rand manager, who had been in Johannesburg eighteen days previously. This also did not refer to anything calculated to show that his uncle was about to engage in any unusual enterprise. In short, Dr. Janssens was not at all disposed to know anything about the business than you or any other reader of the newspapers.

with me. But yer know what 'Ankin is, 'E's a reveroloushunner and an abolisher and all that, but tike 'im in 'is privit life and 'e's sorril. And she were a booby, she were. Them lyedies short is short o' cash ex-
cidental, and tells yer so, mostly is boult-
ful. They runs it on that. Anyhow,
'Ankin swallows it ole; pyes darn 'is lup-
pence for 'er as corndient as if 'e were
pushin' o' 'is money into the slavin's bank.
'E tells me a bairt it afterwards. 'I hope I
ain't mide no mistlike,' says 'e. 'Mistake?'

We should mention that Mr. Widger is a tall and stouter at Plymouth, and well known and respected in that community. He permits to use his name out of gratitude for his recovery. The potency of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup over liver disease is due to its ability to cure indigestion and dyspepsia, which is (as we have said) the cause of liver disease.

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ward? (literally a duck) when a wonder story that has no foundation in fact meant? Even Frenchmen cannot say. It is now claimed that the honour of the invention belongs to M. Cornelissen, a member of the Academy of Brussels. He noticed some wonderful "yarns" in a daily paper to which he subscribed, and in order to satirise the writers he sent in himself, as a joke. It was about a pretended experiment with twenty-five ducks.

It is another canard, or duck, be-
common to newspaper offices.--L
Nash.


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